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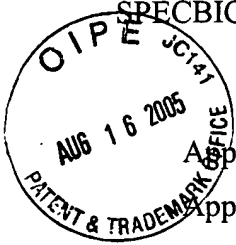
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COMMENT ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance mailed August 10, 2005, Applicants' provide the following comment. In the Statement, the Examiner listed certain portions of each independent claim and indicated that the claim was allowable because the prior art failed to disclose the identified recitations of the claims. Applicant disagrees with the Examiner's Statement to the extent that it implies that patentability depends on any single limitation, or group of limitations less than the entire claim. Each of the allowed claims are patentable because the prior art of record fails to disclose or suggest the entire combination of limitations recited by the claim.

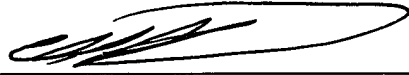
Applicant also notes that the various aspects and features of the preferred embodiments described in the application can be practiced separately, combined together, or substituted for one another, and that a variety of combination and subcombinations of the features and aspects can be made and still fall within the scope of the present invention. Thus, the scope of the present invention should not be limited by the particular disclosed embodiments or examples described in the application, but should be determined only by a fair reading of the allowed claims.

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In addition, Applicant submits that the Examiner's stated reasons are not the only reasons for allowance.

Respectfully submitted,
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